(b) whether their report was a unanimous one or otherwise (a copy of the report may be placed on the table);

(c) whether the Government have considered their report and arrived at any conclusion, and if so, what is it;

(d) whether they are aware that the public of Ernakulam are put to very great inconvenience on account of the delay caused in solving this all important problem one way or other;

(e) how many applications for new pipe connections are pending;

(f) of these, how many have volunteered to instal meter if so ordered;

(g) what is the date of the earliest petition in this connection;

(h) how many public hydrants are there in Ernakulam and of these how many have come into existence during the last three years respectively;

(i) whether the Government have any idea to solve this water-pipe question in the immediate future and if not, what is the cause of the delay?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) The main report was received on 1st December 1930, one dissenting minute on 22nd December 1930 and an additional minute on 20th March 1931.

(b) It is not a unanimous one. The report and the separate minutes are placed on the Council Table.

(c) Government have had no time to consider the report in the light of the dissenting minutes.

(d) Yes.

(e) Fifty-nine.

(f) Two.

(g) 7th Dhanu 1103.

(h) 1st part 128.
2nd part 3.

(i) 1st part. Yes.
2nd part. Vide answer to (c) above.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—May I know within what time you will have a definite conclusion about the water problem?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It cannot be said at what time; but the decisions on this point will be arrived at soon. The matter is under the consideration of the Government. Certain dissenting notes are before the Government. I can only say, at an early date.

Cochin Teachers' Association.

437. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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(a) 1. whether the General Assembly of the Cochin Teachers' Association received a letter this year from Mr. Thomas Paul of the V. V. Publishing House threatening the association if they discussed some of the resolutions pertaining the text books;

2. if so, will a copy of the letter be placed on the table;

3. whether the association passed resolutions regarding this letter;

4. if so, what are those and what action have the Government taken regarding same;

(b) what are the resolutions passed by the assembly regarding the present Malayalam Text Books?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) 1. They received a letter from Mr. Thomas Paul of V. V. Publishing House.

2. Copy of the letter is appended. (*Vide Appendix III.*)

3. Yes.

4. Copy of the resolution is appended. (*Vide Appendix IV.*)

The matter is being enquired into by the Government.

(b) Copy of the resolution is appended. (*Vide Appendix V.*) Copy of the Memorandum referred to in the resolution is placed on the Council Table.

Board of Examiners.

438. Mr. K. J. Antony.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

are the Board of Examiners or the Government in the habit of calling for and receiving applications for examinerships each year?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Applications are not called for; but sometimes they are received.

New Hospital—Mattancheri.

439. Mr. A. B. Salem.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(1) at what stage the question of the construction of a new Hospital at Mattancheri is at present;

(2) how far from the present Women and Children's Hospital is the site of the proposed new hospital;

(3) is there no site available in the immediate vicinity of the Mattancheri Women and Children's Hospital for locating the proposed hospital for men;

(4) what is the amount sanctioned for the purpose of this proposed hospital and when was the sanction accorded for the expenditure;

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APPENDIX I.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 435.)

List of officers thrown out as a result of the orders on the Special Finance Committee's report.

No.	Name of department	Name of officers	Service Y. M. D.	Designation	Pay Rs.
1	Excise	P. Gopala Kaimal	0 10 0	Clerk	25
2	Forest	V. Karunakara Menon	3 6 7	do	25
		C. Sankara Kurup	5 2 0	do	30
		V. Balakrishna Menon	1 7 8	do	25
		R. A. Chennan	16 4 25	Attender	19
		K. Govinda Menon	11 2 24	do	15
		A. V. Luiz	4 0 25	do	15
		M. Gov ndan Nayar	4 4 14	Peon	10
		C. Parameswaran Nayar	4 1 7	do	10
		T. Narayanan Nayar	3 3 13	do	10
		T. Krishnan Nayar	3 1 26	do	10

APPENDIX II.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 435.)

List of officers in superior service who have passed the age of 55, etc.

No.	Name of officers	Department	Designation	Pay	Remarks
1	M. R. Ry. T. M. Krishna Menon Avl.	Land Revenue	Diwan Peishkar	800+50 (P. A.)	
2	Mr. C. Achyuta Puduval	do	Samprathy, Trichur	70—80	
3	Mr. I. Kochukutta Panikkar	do	do Cochin-Kanayannur	do	
4	Mr. E. Sankara Menon	do	Head Shroff	40—60	
5	Mr. P. V. Kunjan	Education	Industrial Assistant, R.I.S. Chittur	18	
6	Mr. M. C. Thambuswami Pillai	General Administration	Clerk, Central Records	40—60	

APPENDIX III.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 437.)

Letter dated 7th November 1930 from Mr. Thomas Paul, Ernakulam.

We are reliably informed that certain interested parties have been going about setting up certain teachers in some of the schools in the State both aided and Government, to get a resolution passed at the meeting of the teachers' association saying that the Malayalam Readers now in use are defective and we find that resolution to that effect has been tabled for discus-

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sion and the sub-committee appointed for that purpose will submit its report. Ref. 'Agenda of the General Assembly of 1106, page 10—d and e.'

We beg to inform you that the Kerala Malayalam Readers have been prepared by some of the best authors in Kerala and have been approved by the Text Book Committee of Cochin and Madras.

They have been prescribed for use in Cochin schools by the Government of His Gracious Highness the Maharaja for three years and are also largely used in schools under the District Boards and Taluk Boards and in schools under private management in Malabar.

Any move made by a member of the Teachers' Association to condemn a series prepared by the best literary men of Kerala, approved by the Text Book Committees of Cochin and Madras and sanctioned for use in schools by the Government of Madras and Cochin is likely to be interpreted to be the result of influence brought to bear upon them by interested persons.

In the absence of opportunities for the respective members of the Teachers' Association to scrutinise with care the above readers in the light of the resolution tabled for discussion, it will be quite improper on the part of the association to pass any resolution condemning the books now in use.

It was with a view to inculcate feelings of loyalty in the young students receiving instruction in the schools of the State that His Highness' Government prescribed the series for use in Cochin Schools. Our books contain lessons of His Gracious Majesty the King Emperor and his representative the Viceroy and any attempt to condemn the series will tantamount to an attempt to defeat the laudable aim of His Gracious Highness' Government in prescribing the books for use in schools.

We may also inform you that any resolution condemning our books will undoubtedly affect our sales and we cannot but hold such persons as are taking an active part in the matter, responsible for all our losses. In case the resolution is taken up for discussion we request you to announce this fact and we pray that we may be furnished with a list of the delegates who support the resolution. We also request you to inform them that they will be doing so at their own risk.

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APPENDIX IV.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 437.)

Copy of Resolution passed by the Cochin Teachers' Association regarding Mr. Thomas Paul's letter.

"Read Mr. Thomas Paul's letter dated 7th November 1930. Resolved to invit ethe attention of the Government to the letter containing mean insinuations and insulting remarks not to speak of its threatening tone and to request that necessary action be taken by the Government as early as possible". (passed nem. con.)

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APPENDIX V.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 437.)

Copy of Resolution passed by the Cochin Teachers' Association regarding the present Malayalam Text Books.

"The present Malayalam Text books are defective and the General Assembly strongly endorses the defects pointed out in the Memorandum of the Special Committee appointed by the Ernakulam Group. And in view of the grave and serious defects and mistakes contained therein, we recommend that at least they may be done away with from the next educational year." (passed nem; con.)

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